PATENT APPLICATION



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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 10/576 659

Filing Date: February 2, 2007

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Confirmation No.: 4367

Title: TOBACCO SMOKE FILTER

Inventors: (1) Anthony McCORMACK, (2) Michael TAYLOR,

(3) Andrew WARBURTON and (4) Thomas RYAN

Group: 1791

Examiner: Felton

Please direct correspondence to the address associated with the following customer number:

23474 FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C. (FIRM)

⊥.	Submission	required	under	37	CFR	§1.114
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a.	[]	An amer	ndment	under	37	CFR	§1.	116	prev	riously	filed	on
				-	_ wa	s no	t e	nter	ced.	Please	e ente:	r
		before	calcu	lating	the	fil	ing	fee	<u>.</u>			

- b. [X] Enclosed is/are:

 - ii. [] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. [] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. [X] Acknowledgment Post Card
 - v. [] ____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. [] Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- b. [] _____

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- 3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed).
 - a. [X] The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

	No.	No.	(X)	RATE	()	
For	Filed	Extra	LG Entity		SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee			\$810.00		\$405.00	\$810.00
Total Claims	(16 - 2	20 = 0)	x \$ 52.00		x \$ 26.00	
Indep. Claims	(4-	4 = 0)	x 220.00		x \$110.00	
[] Multiple I	Dep. Claim	n	+ \$390.00		+ \$195.00	
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						

- b. [X] Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by three months. The extension fee is: \$1,110.00.
- c. [] Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$ (37 CFR §1.17(i)).
- d. [X] A check for \$1,920.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$_____.
- f. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382.

The undersigned is: [X] an attorney of record

[] acting under 37 CFR §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted, FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

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Encl: Listed above